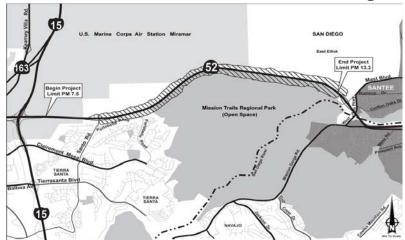


Notice of Availability of the Initial Study/Environmental Assessment with Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration for the State Route 52 Eastbound/Westbound Widening Project



WHAT'S BEING PLANNED: The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) and the Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) have prepared this Initial Study/Environmental Assessment (IS/EA) with proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND), which examines the potential environmental impacts of the proposed State Route 52 Eastbound/Westbound Widening Project located along State Route 52 (SR-52) between Interstate 15 and Mast Boulevard in San Diego County, California.

WHY THIS AD: Caltrans has studied the effects the project may have on the environment. Our studies show that the project will not have a significant effect on the environment with the included mitigation measures. An IS/EA, which discusses potential project impacts, has been prepared. This notice is to inform you of the proposed MND and its availability for review. Caltrans' intends to adopt a MND for this project pending completion of the 30-day public review period that starts January 29, 2007 and ends February 28, 2007. This does not mean that Caltrans' decision regarding the project is final. This MND is subject to modification based on comments received by interested agencies and the public.

WHAT'S AVAILABLE: The Proposed MND & IS/EA, is available for review and copying at the Caltrans District Office located at 4050 Taylor Street, San Diego, weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and online at www.dot.ca.gov/dist11. You can also review the report at the following San Diego County Branch Libraries: Tierrasanta Branch Library, 4985 La Cuenta Drive, San Diego, CA 92124; Santee Branch Library, 9225 Carlton Hills Blvd. #17, San Diego, CA 92071; Fletcher Hills Branch Library, 576 Garfield Ave., El Cajon, CA 92020.

WHERE YOU COME IN: Have the potential impacts been addressed? Do you have information that should be included? Do you agree with the findings? Your comments will be part of the public record. Please submit your comments during the public review period. If you wish to submit written comments please send them to Susanne Glasgow, Caltrans District 11, 4050 Taylor Street, MS: 242, San Diego, CA 92110. If there are no major concerns or comments on the project, Caltrans will adopt the proposed MND.

**CONTACT:** For more information about this project, please contact Jamie Ledent, Environmental Planner, at (619) 688-0157. For general information about transportation issues, please contact the Caltrans Public Information Office at (619) 688-6670.